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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

In many areas like mine there are not enough broad band carriers to maintain competition and lower connection rates.

PLEASE DO NOT reduce competition in any way. My wife and I are retired and our Sonic Broadband is our connection to the world.

Even with a quality provided like Sonic it is fairly expensive. When I was young my folks got by with a \$20 per month phone line and three or so channels of local broadcast TV.

Now we need a fast internet connection, cable TV, and cell phone connectivity which cost HUNDREDS of dollars every month.

Our lower cost broadband service also provides our local land line phone connection.

DO NOT let the corporate greed monsters like AT&T squeeze anymore out of the small internet service providers.

Thanks,

Peter MacRostie